

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

FRIDAY, 11TH FEBRUARY, 1916.

The Rev. A. H. COOKE, Sc.D., F.Z.S., President, in the Chair.

The Rev. E. W. Bowell and Mr. A. E. Salisbury were appointed scrutineers.

The following report was read:—

“Your Council, in presenting their twenty-third Annual Report, have much pleasure in again recording a year of continued progress.

“The papers printed during the past year have maintained their usual standard of excellence.

“It is with considerable regret your Council have to record the loss by death of a prominent member, Mr. J. J. MacAndrew, F.L.S., while owing to resignation and other causes six more names have been removed from the Society’s rolls.

“During the year two new members have been elected, so that the membership of the Society on December 31st, 1915, stood as follows:—

Ordinary members	69
Corresponding members	87
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Total	156

“The financial condition of the Society continues in a satisfactory state, considering the adverse influence of the protracted war. We still hold £50 in Metropolitan stock, and the balances on the ordinary special accounts are well maintained.

“The usual three parts of the ‘Proceedings’, Parts 4–6, completing Vol. XI, have been issued during the year. They comprise 164 pages of text, illustrated with 5 plates and 28 text-figures.

“The following authors have very kindly assisted in the cost of these illustrations, or have furnished drawings or photographs for reproduction: The Rev. E. W. Bowell, Prof. A. E. Boycott, G. C. Crick, R. B. Newton, J. R. le B. Tomlin, and B. B. Woodward.

“Further, the thanks of the Society are especially due to the Council of the Linnean Society, through whose kindness it has been permitted, since the year 1894, to hold its meetings in Burlington House.”

On the motion of Mr. Tom Iredale, seconded by Prof. A. E. Boycott, the above was adopted as the Annual Report of the Society.

The following were elected Officers and Council for the year 1916:—

President—J. R. le B. Tomlin, M.A., F.E.S.

Vice-Presidents.—The Rev. A. H. Cooke, Sc.D., F.Z.S., A. S. Kennard, F.G.S., R. Bullen Newton, F.G.S., Alexander Reynell.

Treasurer.—J. H. Ponsonby Fane, F.Z.S.

Secretary.—G. K. Gude, F.Z.S.

Editor.—E. A. Smith, I.S.O.

Other Members of Council.—Professor A. E. Boycott, M.D., F.R.S., G. C. Crick, F.G.S., Tom Iredale, Charles Oldham, E. R. Sykes, F.L.S., B. B. Woodward, F.L.S.

On the motion of the Rev. E. W. Bowell, seconded by Prof. A. E. Boycott, a vote of thanks was passed to the retiring Officers and members of the Council, and to the Auditors and Scrutineers.

The Rev. Dr. A. H. Cooke proposed a vote of sympathy to Mr. E. A. Smith and his family in his serious illness, which was passed unanimously, and the Secretary was requested to write to Mrs. Smith to this effect.

ORDINARY MEETING.

FRIDAY, 11TH FEBRUARY, 1916.

J. R. LE B. TOMLIN, M.A., F.E.S., President, in the Chair.

The following specimens were exhibited:—

By the President: *Pleurotomaria salmiana*, Rolle, from Tosa, Japan; some rare species of *Marginella*, including *fulminata*, Kien., *guillaini*, Petit, *melvilli*, T. & S., *hirasei*, Bavay, *retusa*, Loc., *osteri*, Jouss., *lata*, Jouss., *pulvis*, Jouss., and *micans*, Petit; a number of forms of Trochidæ and Arculariidæ from the Mediterranean, showing that, although there has been undoubtedly too much 'splitting', the number of species is larger than is generally supposed.

By the Rev. A. H. Cooke: A further series of *Purpura lapillus*, L., from various parts of the British Isles, illustrating variation; a number of drawings of the radulæ of the *Purpura* group (*Purpura*, *Acanthina*, *Cuma*, *Fexilla*, *Pinaxia*, *Concholepas*, *Rapana*, *Choras*, *Topas*, *Sistrum*), from specimens in Professor Gwatkin's collection.

By Mr. G. K. Gude: A series of the genus *Caithaica*, including many extremely rare species, such as *subtilistriata*, Andr., *holdereri*, Andr., *ohlmeri*, Andr., *cucunorica*, Mldff., *futtereri*, Andr., *hermanni*, Gude, *retteri*, Rosen, *funki*, Ancey, *sturanyana*, Kob., all from Central Asia.

By Mr. Tom Iredale: A beautiful collection of Tasmanian Chitons, forwarded by Mr. W. L. May, of Sandford, Tasmania, that has facilitated the detection of several errors, both of omission and commission, that had previously escaped notice.

By Mr. R. Bullen Newton: Normal and sinistral forms of *Marginella bifido-plicata*, Edwards, from the Upper Eocene, Barton, Hants.

By Mr. A. Reynell: Manuscript of Henry Lee's paper on the anatomy of the oyster; manuscript of Gassies' paper on *Bulinus truncatus*; conchological illustrations or figures of new and rare genera and species of shells drawn by Henry Denny, 1834.

ORDINARY MEETING.

FRIDAY, 10TH MARCH, 1916.

J. R. LE B. TOMLIN, M.A., F.E.S., President, in the Chair.

Mr. G. C. Crick exhibited an unusually large Rhyncholite, or calcareous part of the upper mandible of a *Nautilus*-like Cephalopod,